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**Attention:**  
**Vendors of Lubricants for Light Duty Trucks and SUV's**

The Environmental Technology Verification (ETV) Program, in existence since 1995, is administered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Research and Development. It is funded in response to the belief that there are many viable environmental technologies available that are underutilized due to the lack of credible third-party performance testing. Southern Research Institute operates one of several ETV Verification Organizations, the Greenhouse Gas Technology Center (GHG Center), in partnership with the U.S. EPA's Office of Research and Development. The mission of the GHG Center is to provide independent third-party performance verification to vendors and others that need reliable performance information on commercially available technologies that reduce or monitor greenhouse gas emissions.

Transportation systems produce significant quantities of air pollutants and are responsible for about one-third of the GHG emissions produced in the United States. The GHG Center is interested in locating and testing the performance of technologies that economically reduce those emissions, and is accepting applications from candidates wishing to voluntarily submit technologies for independent testing by EPA's ETV Program. Vendors or others with technologies that fit the following category are invited to apply: improved engine and axle lubricants for light duty trucks and Sport Utility Vehicles. Consistent with ongoing verifications at the GHG Center, independent testing will be conducted to verify the fuel efficiency associated with the use of improved lubricants. Organizations that choose to participate are required to submit appropriate amounts of lubricant for laboratory testing in a representative vehicle. Participants are also required to offset verification testing costs through 50 percent cost sharing. Vendors and others with commercial technologies in this category that wish to participate in these tests should complete and submit a test application on the GHG Center's Web site ([www.sri-rtp.com](http://www.sri-rtp.com)) or contact Elaine Ball at Southern Research Institute (919 -806-3456).